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Majeh reveals more of his past, and how he became such a strong fighter, as the group travels through the treacherous desert. But even more treacherous than where they are is where they are going as they search for the Insane Hounds at the Sa Gok headquarters. And even more treacherous than that is the desert rat they have as a guide. Will they be able to rescue the kidnapped martial artists–or is it too late...for everyone?

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WHO THE HELL...?

MAJEH:

When he was alive, Majeh was an extremely powerful and much-feared warrior. In death, Majeh was recruited to be a collector of souls for the King of Hell. Recently, Majeh was returned to his human form in order to destroy the escaped evil spirits for the King of Hell.

CHUNG POONG NAMGOONG:

Once branded as a coward, Chung Poong left his once-respected family hoping to prove himself at the Martial Arts Tournament in Nakyang. Broke and desperate, Chung Poong tried to rob Majeh. In a very rare moment of pity, Majeh allowed Chung Poong to live...and to tag along with him. Chung Poong was recently forced to fight—and kill—his older brother, who had been kidnapped and turned into a zombie.

DOHWA BAIK:

A vivacious vixen who often dispatches enemies with poisoned needles. Dohwa joined Majeh and Chung Poong after repeatedly humiliating the hapless trio known as the Insane Hounds. Recently, she journeyed home to retrieve a powerful, but evil, whip called the Mapyun. It's a mighty weapon that few can wield without the Mapyun's dark power overtaking them, but Dohwa seems to have mastered it, which makes her a formidable fighter.

KING OF HELL:

You were expecting horns and a pitchfork? This benevolent, otherworldly ruler reigns over the souls of the dead like a shepherd tending his flock.

SAMHUK:

Originally sent by the King of Hell to spy on the unpredictable Majeh, Samhuk was quickly discovered and now—much to his dismay—acts as the warrior's ghostly manservant.

YOUNG:

A 15-year-old sword-master possessing incredible speed, he is affiliated with Mooyoung Moon--a clan of assassins 500 strong. After seeing Majeh defeat the demon-possessed master at the martial arts tournament, Young admitted he has no interest in fighting Majeh. Not yet, at any rate.

CRAZY DOG

A young warrior skilled at fighting with a club, Majeh met and fought Crazy Dog in the Martial Arts Tournament at Nakyang, where the young warrior lost his life. He was later reanimated by the villainous Dong Sa and now goes through life with the intelligence and mannerisms of a young child.

CERBERUS

The three-headed dog that guards the entrance to the Next World. Cerberus was commanded to join Majeh and his party (much to his reluctance) by the King of Hell. With his powerful attacks and knowledge of demons and the underworld, Cerberus is a mighty ally. His attitude, on the other hand, leaves something to be desired...

THE INSANE HOUNDS

A trio of dim-witted "masters" who always seem to wind up in the thick of it. The Insane Hounds frequently seem to butt heads with Dohwa, who has defeated them on numerous occasions. They were recently granted near indestructibility after they bathed in a magical pool. (And one of them peed in it.)

What The Hell...?

Hell's worst inmates have escaped and fled to Earth. Seeking recently-deceased bodies to host their bitter souls, these malevolent master fighters are part of an evil scheme that could have dire consequences for both This World and the Next World. It is believed that the escaped fiends are hunting for bodies of martial arts experts, as only bodies trained in martial arts would be capable of properly employing their incredible skills.

To make matters even more difficult, the otherworldly energy emitted by the fugitives will dissipate within one month's time...after which, they will be indistinguishable from normal humans and undetectable to those from the Next World. The King of Hell has assigned Majeh to hunt down Hell's Most Wanted and return them to the Next World... but Majeh doesn't always do exactly what he's told.

Majeh was a master swordsman in life and, in death, he serves as an envoy for the King of Hell, escorting souls of the dead to the Next World. Majeh caught Samhuk--a servant for the King of Hell--spying on him and, after making the appropriate threats, now uses Samhuk as his own servant as well.

The King of Hell has reunited Majeh's spirit with his physical body, which was perfectly preserved for 300 years. Powerful as he is, however, Majeh can't turn back time, and his thirty-day deadline is fast approaching. Already, the energy that allows him to track the fugitives is growing thin and hard to detect. So, to assist him, the King of Hell has provided Majeh with a powerful new ally: Cerberus, the three-headed dog that guards the entrance to the Next World. With his highly refined sense of smell, Cerberus could be of great assistance to Majeh, but that doesn't mean the dog was eager to tag along with him.

Yet, join him he did (after some firm prodding from the King of Hell), and now Cerberus accompanies Majeh on his journey.

Along with the young, wannabe-warrior called Chung Poong Namgoong, a beautiful femme fatale named Dohwa Baik and a sword-wielding assassin named Young, Majeh and Cerberus were summoned by the martial arts master and leader of the Moorim, Mo Young. The Moorim recently sent out the well-meaning, if short-of-intellect, trio of fighters known as the Insane Hounds to locate the sinister Sa Gok organization. However, after months on the road and no word from the Hounds, it became clear that they might be in need of some rescue, and who better than our band of heroes to do it? Joining them for this mission is a friend from the past: the young and powerful martial artist known as Crazy Dog. Unfortunately, dark magic in Crazy Dog's past has rendered him mentally unstable, and now he walks and talks with the intellect of a child.

During a break from their journey, Majeh was paid a visit by Samhuk. Their discussion prompted Majeh to ruminate on his past, where it was revealed that Majeh's mortal name was Ja Young Choi. Ja Young enjoyed a close relationship with his father, who was a general in the King's army. As he got older, General Choi placed his son in the care of the Dawn of Taoism, a sect of martial artists known for their prowess in battle. Tragically, the General was killed after a military coup wrested the King from power. The new authority wasn't satisfied with the General's death, however. They desired the death of his family as well, and as loyal subjects of the new regime, the Dawn of Taoism had no choice but to offer up his son, Ja Young, to the chopping block.

ALL OF YOU-- STAY BACK!!
PLEASE ...!
OK

GRR!!
WHAT...? WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO...?!

THEY WON'T LET UP...
THEY WERE MY COMRADES!
BUT THEY JUST KEEP COMING...
BUT I DON'T WANT TO KILL THEM!

slash!
UHKK!

STOP HIM!

틱
차라
락
A WIND GNORO!

...NEVER COME AFTER ME AGAIN, BROTHERS!
HHHK!
I BEG YOU

WHY...?
WHAT HAVE I DONE WRONG?
WHY ARE YOU ALL TRYING TO KILL ME?
MASTER
...THAT IS A QUESTION YOU WILL ANSWER!
THAT WAS A TERRIBLE TIME GAMHUR
...AND IT ONLY GOT WORSE.
AND WERE YOU EVER ABLE TO TALK TO YOUR MASTER, MAJEH?

YEG
ACTUALLY, HE CAME TO SEE ME.
AND... ON THAT NIGHT...
...THE WHOLE WORLD ABANDONED THE BOY CALLED JA YOUNG. AND ONLY MAJEH WAS LEFT.. ALONE.
UHHN!

AGAIN?
THEY'VE BEEN ATTACKING ME OVER AND OVER FOR AN ENTIRE WEEK, MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO GET ANY REST
DO THEY PLAN FOR ME TO DIE FROM SHEER EXHAUSTION?!
YOU KNOW ..I REALLY DON'T FEEL LIKE FIGHTING YOU GUYS ANYMORE

...!
A DEAD END!

...I FIGHT TO KILL!!
HEAR ME LOUD AND CLEAR, ONCE-BROTHERS! BEGINNING HERE, NOW..
THIS IS IT. I'VE NOWHERE ELSE TO RUN

COME ON!
!
HALT!
MASTER ?
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, JA YOUNG.
MASTER...

WHY...?
LISTEN, JA YOUNG
YOUR FATHER... HE'S DEAD!
NO .. HOW ?!
.....
WHY ARE YOU TRYING TO KILL ME?!!
I'M... SORRY...
SOME...SOLDIERS...CAME TO OUR HEADQUARTERS. THEY SAID HE WAS.. HE WAS AN ENEMY OF THE STATE!

KHUUM
WHAT?! THAT'S IMPOS-SIBLE!
AND...WHAT OF MY MOTHER?
YOU... YOU KNOW THE LAW OF THE LAND...
BUT SHE WAS AN INVALID! HOW.. HOW COULD THEY EXECUTE HER?!
HEH HEH... THIS ALL MAKES SENSE NOW...
THAT'S WHY YOU NOW WANT MY HEAD--TO SAVE YOUR OWN!
I AM...TRULY SORRY
PLEASE FORGIVE THIS WEAK OLD MAN.
KYUO

DEFEND MYSELF...?
.....
WHY?!
IF I KEEP ON FIGHTING YOU, WILL EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENED DISAPPEAR?!
WILL IT BRING MY FATHER BACK TO LIFE?! MY MOTHER?!
JA YOUNG... SON...
AREN'T YOU EVEN GOING TO TRY TO DEFEND YOURSELF?

DON'T YOU DARE CALL ME THAT! YOU DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT! AND WHAT IS IT YOU WANT ME TO DEFEND? MY LIFE? MY HONOR?
I HAVE NOTHING LEFT TO DEFEND...
SO GO ON... GET IT OVER WITH, "MASTER."

KING HELL™

.....
VERY WELL IF THAT'S HOW YOU WANT IT SO BE IT
SAY GOODBYE TO THIS WORLD!

.....!
YOU SAY YOU HAVE NOTHING TO DEFEND, NO REASON TO GO ON LIVING? I TAUGHT YOU BETTER THAN THAT, BOY!
GET UP OFF YOUR KNEES AND FACE WHAT LIFE HAS THROWN IN YOUR PATH LIKE A MAN!
YOU...FOOL!

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES THE WORLD TURNS AGAINST YOU AND BETRAYS YOU, YOU FIGHT BACK! YOU ALWAYS FIGHT BACK!
BUT SNIFF
WHAT? ARE YOU SO STUPID AS TO THINK LIFE WILL ALWAYS TURN OUT THE WAY YOU WANT?!
I... I...
STOP CRYING, DAMN YOU!!
SIGH...
OH, JA YOUNG...
I HAD HOPED THAT YOU COULD DISARM ME AND THEN RUN AWAY. BUT...
...YOU'RE JUST TOO WEAK
I'M... I'M SORRY...FOR DISAPPOINTING YOU, MASTER.

.....
GO--AND NEVER AGAIN SET FOOT IN KORYO!
FROM THIS MOMENT ON, JA YOUNG NO LONGER EXISTS. AND YOU MUST NEVER COME TO KORYO EVER AGAIN .. NEVER FORGET THIS!
THAT IS ALL I CAN DO FOR YOU.
I HOPE SOMEDAY... YOU CAN FORGIVE ME FOR BEING SUCH A TERRIBLE MASTER.
SNIFF

FROM THIS DAY FORWARD, USE YOUR SWORD TO TAME THIS HARSH WORLD...
...AND TO DESTROY THE WEAKNESS WITHIN YOU!
FAREWELL, BOY

YAAAAHHHHH!!!
YAAWN... I'M HUNGRY.
WHERE'S MAJEH, CHUNG POONG?

HUH? HE HASN'T COME DOWN YET?
I'LL GO CHECK ON HIM.
OKAY... LET'S GO!
MAJEH! ARE YOU STILL SLEEPING?
CHUNG POONG, I
DAMN!
HEY! WHAT ARE YOU STANDING AROUND FOR? LET'S GO GET SOME BREAKFAST!

DAMN THAT CRAZY CHUNG MYUN!
I HAD TO GO AND MAKE HIM ANGRY, AND NOW I'M PAYING FOR IT!
DAM-MIT!
LET'S SEE HOW FAR YOU'RE WILLING TO CHASE ME, CHUNG, BECAUSE I'M WILLING TO GO TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH!
I CAN FINALLY REST FOR A BIT
DAMN YOU!
IT'S...AN INN. WHEW!
NO...WAIT! HE'S STILL FOLLOWING ME. IF I BOX MYSELF INSIDE, I'LL BE SEALING MY DOOM!

HA HA HA !!
HA HA HA !!
THOSE THREE MORONS!
I BET THEY'RE BREATHING THEIR LAST BREATHS RIGHT ABOUT NOW!
EH?
WELCOME, TRAVELER!

KING HELL™

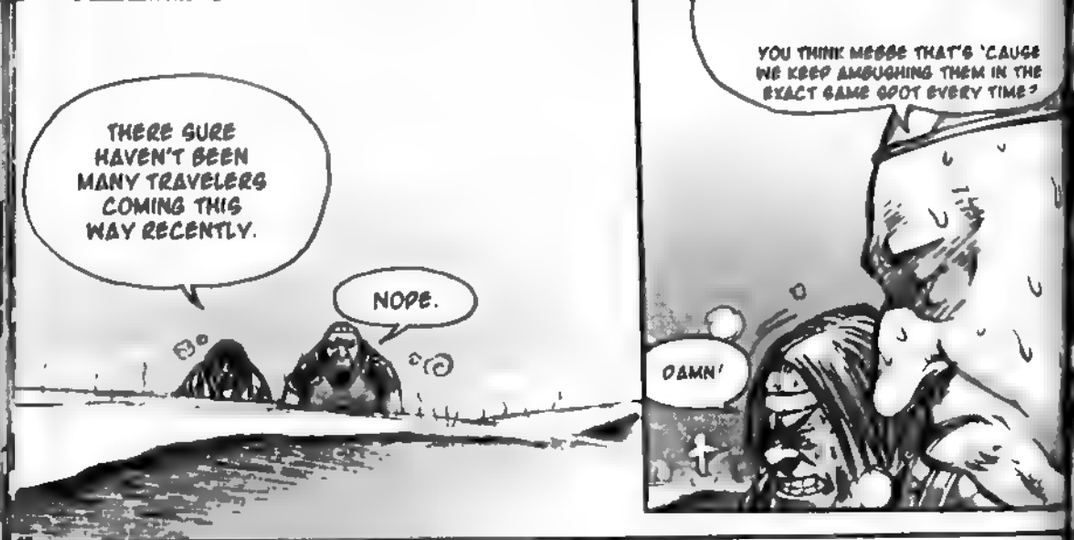
HEY!
...?
YOU! AREN'T YOU HOT... WEARING THAT CLOAK AND HOOD?
.....
HEH... YOU WOULDN'T BE... ON THE RUN, WOULD YA?
EH? ARE YOU GETTING READY TO MAKE A RUN FOR IT?
WELL?
WHAT? WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
I HAVE SOMETHING TO ASK YOU.

YOU PIECE OF TRASH... DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHO YER TALKIN' TO?!
DO YOU?
!
HE'S A MARTIAL ARTS MASTER!
DAMN YOU! I'LL--
KHHK!!

LET LET GO OF ME
Slap!
Slap!
Slap!
Slap
PLEASE... FORGIVE ME...SIR.
I BEG YOU! STOP SLAPPING ME!
HOW PATHETIC
Name: Huh In
Alias : Diary Man
Age : ??
THIS MAN. HAVE ANY OF YOU SEEN HIM?
I KNOW I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM!
ME, NEITHER!

ARE YOU SURE?
SWEAR TO GOD!
HOPE TO DIE!
.....
THEN OUR BUSINESS IS DONE
SAFE JOURNEY, MISTER!
WHY DO I ALWAYS GET BEAT UP?
'CAUSE YER AN IDIOT!
UNNGH

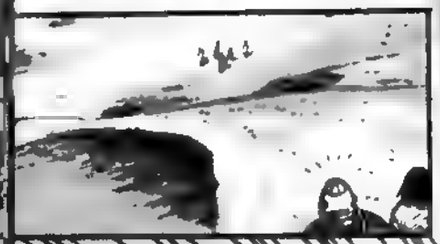
IT'S REALLY, REALLY HOT!
MAJEH, YOU'RE SURE WE'RE GOING THE RIGHT WAY?
WHY? ARE YOU WORRIED?
OF COURSE I AM! IF WE GET LOST IN A PLACE LIKE THIS, IT'S CERTAIN DEATH!!
NOT FOR THOSE OF US ALREADY DEAD.
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!


THERE SURE HAVEN'T BEEN MANY TRAVELERS COMING THIS WAY RECENTLY.
NOPE.

YOU THINK MEBBE THAT'S 'CAUSE WE KEEP AMBUSHING THEM IN THE EXACT SAME SPOT EVERY TIME?
DAMN!

I'M SO HOT! HOW LONG ARE WE SUPPOSED TO SIT AROUND IN THE HEAT LIKE THIS?!

HUH?



WELL NOW, THERE'S A SIGHT FOR SORE EYES!
LET'S GO TELL THE BOSS!

HEE-YAH!
CHEW

BOSS!!

OUCH, MAN! SOME OF US ARE NURSING A HEADACHE HERE

WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR FACE?

BEE STING. IT DOESN'T MATTER. NOW WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

THERE ARE SOME TRAVELERS COMING OUR WAY

REALLY?

BUT...UHH... TELL ME...

DID ANY OF THEM LOOK LIKE THEY WERE MARTIAL ARTISTS?
OH NO NO WAY, BOSS. THEY'RE JUST SOME KIDS AND ONE OF 'EM'S A GIRL.
IT'S TRUE--
OF COURSE! JUST WHAT I WAS THINKING! YOU ALL KNOW WHAT TO DO!
UH... NO.
WHAT?
I SHOULD WORK ALONE
BOYS!
LET'S GO CATCH US SOME PREY! MWU HA HA!!
UH... BOSS?
IF THEY'RE COMING THIS WAY ANYWAY, CAN'T WE JUST STAY HERE AND WAIT FOR 'EM?
아뇨

THEY'RE HERE!
CHUNG POONG, YOU CAN STOP WHINING NOW
DAMMIT! I'VE GOT A CRAMP IN MY LEG!
MMF! MMN!
MAJEH, YOU HAVEN'T SWEAT A DROP! YOU BASTARD!
WE FINALLY MADE IT
HEH HEH
THAT'S FINE
AHEM!
HEY, LOOK THERE IS SOMEONE ELSE HERE
IT'S ABOUT TIME
IS ANYBODY HERE? WHY IS IT SO QUIET?
THEY FINALLY SEE US NOW WHAT, BOSS?
LOOK MEAN, BOYS WE'LL SCARE THESE PUNKS INTO SUBMISSION!

WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING? DON'T JUST STAND THERE. COME OVER HERE AND TAKE OUR ORDER. YEESH I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S WORSE HERE THE HEAT OR THE SERVICE
ARRRGH!! DAMMIT!!
WE'RE NOT WAITERS, YOU IDIOTS! WE'RE BANDITS!!
…?
WHY ARE THE WAITERS GLARING AT US?
THERE GOES THE R TIP
…?
I. SEE.
DID HE SAY THEY'RE BANDITS?
THAT'S WHAT HE SAID
BANDITS AND WAITERS?
……

AND IF THEY AREN'T WAITERS, WHERE IS THE WAITER?
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU BRATS? WHEN YOU SEE THIEVES, YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE AFRAID!
ALL RIGHT, PUNKS. PREPARE TO MEET YOUR DOOM!
RIIIGHT GOTCHA.
DID HE SAY WE SHOULD BE AFRAID?
I THINK SO.
AAAAGH!
YOU REALLY SHOULD GET DOWN OFF THAT TABLE YOU MIGHT FALL AND HURT YOURSELF
ACTUALLY, THIS IS PERFECT! I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS YOU CAN PROBABLY ANSWER.
WILL YOU SHUT UP?!
BOYS! IT'S OBVIOUS THE INTIMIDATION THING ISN'T WORKING! SO LET'S SHOW THEM WHAT WE'RE MADE OF!!
...AFTER WE TAKE YOU DOWN A NOTCH OR TWO!

I DON'T SEE THIS ENDING WELL.
ME NEITHER.
CRAZY DOG?
YES, BIG BROTHER?
THESE OLD FARTS ARE BOTHERING ME. DO YOU THINK YOU CAN TAKE CARE OF THEM FOR ME?
SURE! I'LL PROTECT YOU, BIG BROTHER!
...
반어
WHA- WHAT?!
BOSS! MAYBE WE SHOULD JUST--
YOU
YOU TWERPS! HOW DARE YOU FOOL AROUND WITH ME?!
MISTER, YOU'RE IN FOR A REAL HURTING!
....

WHY YOU LITTLE '
ICK
WAIT WAIT A SECOND' KH. KHIK'
THE BOGG HAS SOME REALLY CRAPPY LUCK
SOME-ONE HELP ME
HURGK..
HA HA' WE ABSOLUTELY DO NOT KNOW THAT MAN'
ACK' HELP!
SOMEBODY SAVE US'

DAMN! DON'T TELL ME WE FELL ALL THE WAY DOWN FROM THERE?!
IF SO, I SURE DON'T THINK WE CAN GET OUT THE SAME WAY WE CAME IN
UHH..
THOSE DAMNED BANDITS!
WE MUST HAVE PASSED OUT!
UGH
NGH
OW! MY BACK
ARE YOU TWO ALL RIGHT?
I THINK SO
JUST WAIT TILL WE GET BACK! THEY'LL BE SORRY THEY EVER LAID EYES ON US!
AMEN!

WHAT IF WE NEVER FIND A WAY OUT?
WE HAVE TO I DON'T WANNA DIE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS
SHUT UP! NO ONE'S GONNA DIE!
FIRST THINGS FIRST. LOOK AROUND FOR A WAY OUT OF HERE.
RIGHT.
HEY... DO YOU GUYS SMELL THAT?
.....?
UGH! WHAT IS IT?! WHERE'S IT COMING FROM?!
IT SMELLS LIKE SOMETHING'S ROTTING!
UGH!
UHK!

THE SMELL IS COMING FROM IN FRONT OF US. LET'S GO CHECK IT OUT!
DO WE REALLY HAVE TO DO THAT?
YEAH, DO WE?
WHA- WHAT'S THAT?

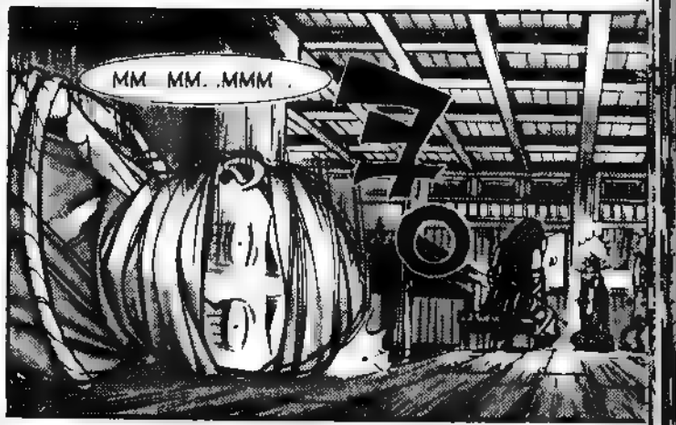
NAME: The Three Insane Hounds
PERSONALITY: Morons
EEEEEk!

YOU KNOW IF YOU'RE LYING, I'LL KILL YOU.

I'M TELLING YOU THE TRUTH I SWEAR!
WHAT IS OUR CRAZY BOSS DOING NOW?

HAVE YOU SEEN THESE THREE MEN?

MM . MMM


MM . MM . MMM .

TELL ME THE TRUTH!

NO, NO WE HAVEN'T! I'VE... I'VE NEVER SEEN THEM IN MY LIFE!

OH, REALLY?

.. .. ?
WHAT'S THAT?

NAME: The Three Insane Hounds
PERSONALITY: Morons
I'M POSITIVE!
THESE ARE THE MEN!
I'M POSITIVE I SAW THESE THREE MEN TALKING TO THOSE BANDITS.
HMM
.....
.....
SO...DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY FOR YOURSELF?
EH HEH' I'VE BEEN FORGETTING THINGS LATELY TOO MANY BLOWS TO THE HEAD, I GUESS!
WELL, MAYBE I CAN HELP REFRESH YOUR MEMORY
WAIT! IT JUST CAME BACK TO ME! I REMEMBER NOW!
YEAH? 'CAUSE I THINK YOU STILL NEED SOME REMINDING!

DO YOU REMEMBER NOW?!
YES! YES!
GET UP ON YOUR FEET.. OR I'LL HELP YOU UP WITH A FEW MORE PUNCHES
OOOOOH!
HMPH! MAKING ME WORK IN THIS HEAT NOW I'M ALL SWEATY!
WE DRAGGED OUT MAYHEM I THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE OVERDONE IT
WE JUST GAVE YOUR FRIENDS DIRECTIONS. HONEST! THAT'S ALL WE DID!
SIR?
TAKE US TO WHERE YOU LEFT THEM.
TAKE US TO WHERE YOU LEFT THEM!
OH...ALL RIGHT.

WHA... WHAT IN THE HELL... IS THAT?!
HU... MAN...?
MONSTER!
STOP... STOP RIGHT THERE!
DO NOT... BE...AFRAID.

DAMMIT! HOW CAN WE NOT BE AFRAID WHEN YOU LOOK LIKE A FREAKIN' ZOMBIE?!
WHAT... WHAT ARE YOU?
WE ARE... WERE... HUMANS...TOO.
I...DON'T... KNOW... HOW...YOU... GOT...HERE... BUT... HUR... RY! RUN...A... WAY...NOW!
KING HELL
OUR HEROES!!

RUN...AWAY...QUICKLY...
WHAT?!
IS... DANGER... HERE...
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!!
WHA-WHAT IS IT? WHAT'S WRONG?
BE... BE... HIND...
HJH?
UH GJVG?
GRAAAR!
Grrr...

HUH ??
IT...IS...A...FAILED... EXPERIMENT. LIKE...US...
WE...ARE...THE...VICTIMS...OF... AN...EVIL...MAN. HE...USED... FORBIDDEN...SPELLS...TO... CHANGE.. US...INTO...MONSTERS...
AN... EXPERIMENT?!
Aaah!
HUR...RY... ES...CAPE...
WHAT IS THAT THING?!
Kaaaa!!

Rraar!
AAAH!
Grrrr!

WE GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE, BOYS!
NO
NO
Grrhk?
...!
GO!
DAMN
WAAAA!!
YOU... GO...NOW. HURRY!
Graaa!!

HURRY...!
RUN!
GOD SAVE YOU... FRIEND...
I DON'T LIKE THIS!
WE HAVE NO CHOICE!
RUN!

SSSSTOP!
Graaaa!
Slash!
KU...HK!

Rrarr!
Raaaah!!
!
STOP
WE... WE HAVE TO GO BACK, BROTHERS
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!
WHAT ?!
I SAID WE'RE GOING BACK!
REMEMBER WHO WE ARE?! WE ARE THE THREE INSANE HOUNDS!

BUT WE'RE NO LONGER THE INSANE HOUNDS WHO OTHER FIGHTERS RIDICULED! WE'RE THE INSANE HOUNDS WHO ARE THE SAVIORS OF THE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD!!
AND BECAUSE OF THAT...
"A MAN'S GREATEST DEFENSE IS HIS STRENGTH... AND HIS HONOR!"
I BELIEVE WE THREE HAVE FINALLY REACHED A POINT WHERE WE CAN LIVE UP TO THOSE WORDS
.....
LEAD THE WAY, BROTHER...
...WE CAN'T RUN AWAY FROM A FIGHT!
!
I'M REMINDED OF SOMETHING A GREAT MARTIAL ARTIST ONCE SAID...
..AND I'LL FOLLOW!
YES!
LET'S GO!

Kaff!
Kaff!
HOLD ON, FRIEND!
IT'S...BETTER... THIS...WAY... NOW...THIS... CURSED... EXISTENCE... CAN...FINALLY... END.
!!
NO! DON'T DIE!
TELL...HIM... THIS... AWFUL... PLACE...IS...
YOU MUST TELL MO YOUNG

IS WHAT?!
IS...RUN...BY THE.. SA GOKS
SA GOKS!
IN..THIS...PLACE... THERE ARE STILL... MANY...MARTIAL... ARTISTS...WHO WERE KIDNAPPED...AND BROUGHT HERE...LIKE...ME...
kaff!
BY THAT... BY...THAT... EVIL... CURSED... MAN...BOOK SA RYOUNG!

KING HELL

SA GOK!
BOOK SA RYOUNG?!
GET...AWAY FROM HERE. THAT BEAST... WILL...RETURN.
IF...YOU GO OUT THAT WAY...YOU... WILL...FIND... A DOORWAY.
I...WISH YOU...SAFE JOURNEY... FRIENDSSS.
HE'S GONE
KIDUK
Boom!
Boom!
C'MON. LET'S GET GOING!
Gaaaaahh!

THERE! THAT'S THE LAST PLACE I SAW YOUR FRIENDS
HMM
IF YOU'VE LIED... WE'LL BE BACK!
HEH HEH! NOT AFTER THE QUICKSAND GETS YOU!
I...SMELL SOMETHING.
IS IT THE SA GOKS?
IF IT IS, THOSE THREE MORONS ACTUALLY SUCCEEDED IN THEIR MISSION!
HMM
WAIT FOR US
WHAT'S THIS?!
HUH?

IT'S QUICKSAND!
...!
HA! LIKE THAT CAN STOP US!
OH...NO!!
GULP!
YOU'RE GOING TO PAY DEARLY WHEN I GET BACK!
WE ARE SO DEAD!

LET'S CHECK THIS OUT
DAMMIT!
DAMMIT! ALL TOGETHER, PUSH!!
WE COULD BE STUCK HERE FOREVER, MY BROTHERS

DAMMIT! I REFUSE TO BELIEVE OUR HEADS AREN'T AS HARD AS ROCKS!
AGAIN!
ONCE MORE!
OH, HELL. LET'S JUST HEAD BUTT THE DAMN THING!
AGAIN!
AGAIN!
TELL ME, MIN WOO. DO YOU THINK OUR EXPERIMENTS ARE GETTING CLOSER TO SUCCEEDING?

MOST DEFINITELY, SIR! AS OUR MASTER, BOOK SA BYOUNG, GAINS MORE SKILL IN THE BLACK ARTS, WE HAVE FEWER FAILURES EACH DAY!
LET'S HURRY UP AND DISPOSE OF THIS THING, THEN SO BET US A DRINK!
SOUNDS GOOD TO ME!
Boom!
Boom!
WHAT WHAT'S THAT SOUND?
IT'S COMING FROM IN THERE...
SHH! WATCH YOUR MOUTH! WE'RE PAID TO DO A JOB, NOT TO ASK QUESTIONS!

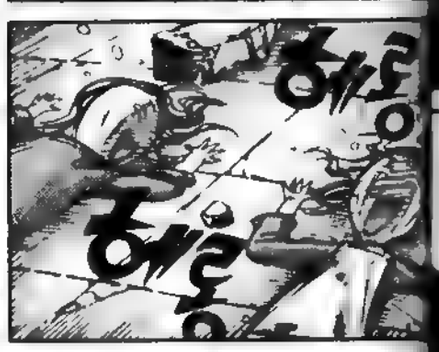
BWA HA HA HA!!

NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL USIN' YER HEAD!!
LGH

KHK!

NOW THEN...LET'S FIND OUR WAY OUT OF THIS HELL HOLE!

EH?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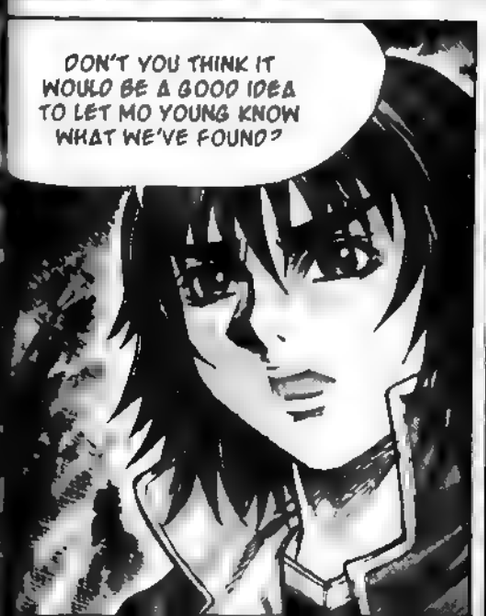
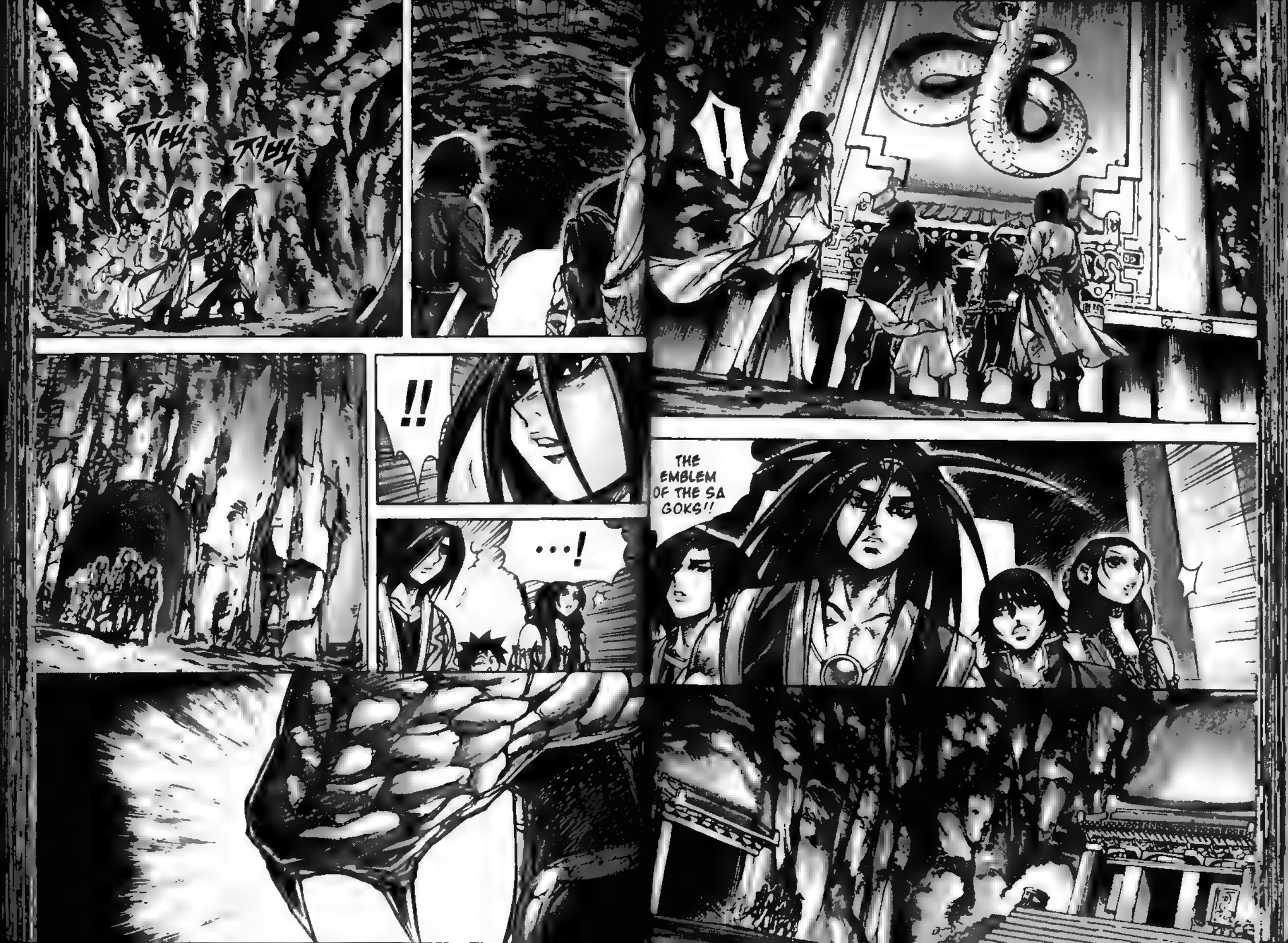
THE FACT THAT THEY HAVE SENTRIES GUARDING THE ENTRANCE TELLS US THERE'S SOMETHING GOING ON IN HERE!

LOOK AT 'EM' SLEEPING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE FLOOR! THESE SA GOKS ARE A LAZY BUNCH!

LET'S GO!


DON'T YOU THINK IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA TO LET MO YOUNG KNOW WHAT WE'VE FOUND?

LET'S FIRST MAKE SURE WE HAVE FOUND THE SA GOK, THEN WE CAN LET HIM KNOW!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THE EMBLEM OF THE SA GOKS!!

HOW DARE YOU COME INTO THIS PLACE UNINVITED?!
DO YOU HAVE A DEATH WISH, CHILDREN?
MY, WHAT BRAVE CHILDREN YOU ARE, STROLLING IN HERE LIKE YOU'RE AT A PLAYGROUND!
HEH HEH HEH!
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WHAT WE WISH...

.IS FOR YOU TWO CLOWNS TO MIND YOUR MANNERS...
...!
...AND TELL ME IF THIS IS THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE SA GOK.
HAH! YOU'RE AN ARROGANT LITTLE PUP, AREN'T YOU?
YOU MAY HAVE COME HERE LOOKING FOR THE SA GOK.
BUT ALL YOU'VE FOUND IS YOUR OWN GRAVE! HA HA HA!
HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THIS PLACE?
I ASKED YOU A QUESTION FIRST, BLOCKHEAD.
....
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VERY WELL, YOU LITTLE RUNT. YES, THIS IS THE SA GOK HEADQUARTERS!
HA! HA!
EH?
AFTER ALL, IT WAS SO HARD FINDING THIS PLACE THAT WE'RE IN NO HURRY TO LEAVE WE PLAN TO LOOK AROUND AND CHECK OUT THE SCENERY
...!
HMM.
WHAT?!
WHY, YOU IMPUDENT LITTLE TWERP!
JUST AS I THOUGHT
HEY! DON'T BE SO INHOSPITABLE. LET ME LOOK AROUND A BIT.
HEH HEH! KNOWING THAT WILL DO YOU NO GOOD. YOU WON'T BE LEAVING HERE ALIVE!
AND WHY WOULD I WANT TO LEAVE, GIGGLES?
HEH HEH HEH!

ALL RIGHT, BOY! I'LL PERSONALLY GIVE YOU A TOUR
OH, JOY!
AND DON'T THINK I'M GONNA GO EASY ON YOU JUST 'CAUSE YOU'RE A KID!
A TOUR OF HELL AFTER I'VE KILLED YOU!
A KID WHO CAN KICK YOUR ASS.
I'LL GRIND YOU INTO DUST!!
NAAH BEEN THERE, DONE THAT
UH .. MAJEH, AREN'T YOU OVERDOING IT A BIT?!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?!
WHAT?
YOU'RE... YOU'RE GOADING HIM TOO MUCH

HAVE YOU LOST ALL THE COURAGE YOU DISPLAYED WHEN WE WERE FIGHTING DEMONS, CHUNG POONG?!
YOU'VE GOT THE STRENGTH, CHUNG POONG. YOU JUST NEED THE CONFIDENCE
YES, SIR.
LOOK AT THEM! THESE TWO GUYS ARE NOTHING BUT GLORIFIED DOORMEN!
Y'KNOW, YOU'RE REALLY VERY FUNNY... FOR A MORON.
YOU'RE RIGHT, MAJEH. I'M SORRY. I DON'T KNOW WHAT CAME OVER ME.
WHA...? HEY!
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ARE YOU GIRLS THROUGH HOLDIN' HANDS?!
TAKE HIM, CHUNG POONG!

COME ON, YOU BIG APE! I'LL SMASH YOU TO PIECES!
YOU'RE JUST BOSSING TO DIE AREN'T YOU?
WHAT ABOUT YOU, GIGGLES? AREN'T YOU GONNA HELP YOUR PAL?

DO YOU REALLY NEED TWO MEN TO GOUGH A BUG? HA HA!
SHALL WE BEGIN?
WHENEVER YER READY, TWERP!

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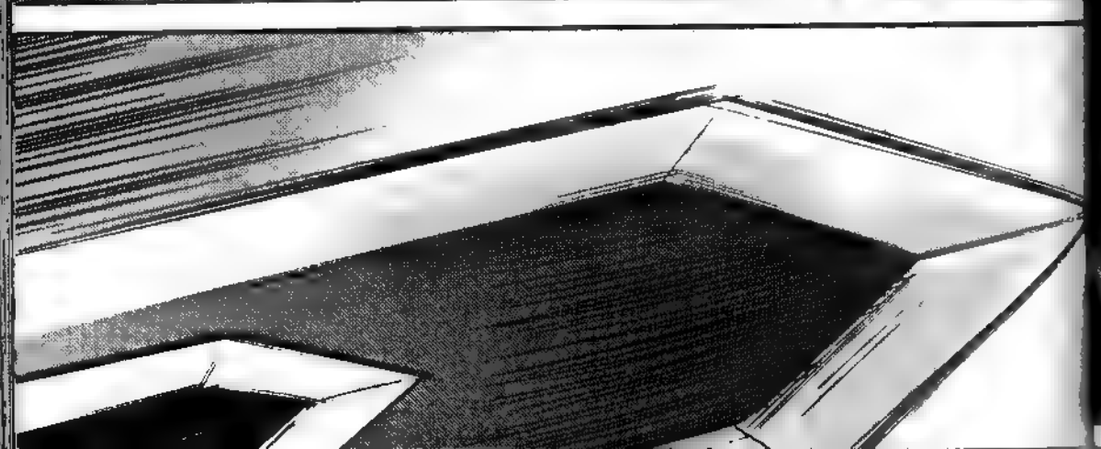

WHAT DID YOU DO?!
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WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM?
DAMN. HE'S AFRAID.
HUH? AFRAID OF WHAT?
HA! HE'S FRIGHTENED OF CHUNG POONG'S INHERENT POWER!
JUST LOOK AT THE FOOL!
HE MUST HAVE HALLUCINATED THAT CHUNG POONG'S SWORD ACTUALLY STABBED HIM!
I'LL SAY THIS FOR OUR YOUNG FRIEND...
HE'S GOT THE MAKINGS OF AN AWESOME FIGHTER!

KH....HHUU...
I AGREE!
KING HELL™

DIE!
!
COME ON!
IS THAT ALL YOU'VE GOT?!

MAJEH, DID YOU SEE THAT?!
I SAW IT, KID! DON'T GET COCKY!
A MAN OF TRUE POWER DOESN'T BOAST ABOUT HOW STRONG HE IS
YAAAA!!
KHHK!
COME!

...!
.....
...!
KOOO
WHAT... WHAT ARE YOU MADE OF?
HEH HEH! THANKS TO MASTER BOOK SA RYOUNG...
SURO-RISEO, PUNK?
...I HAVE THE ABILITY TO MAKE MY BODY AS HARD AS STONE!

.....
IN THE RIGHT HANDS...
...STEEL CAN CRUSH STONE!
LET'S SEE YOU TRY, BOY

...!
HEH HEH HEH!

THAT TICKLED!
ARGH!
Huff!
Huff!
HAD ENOUGH, BOY?
DAMN!

WHAT KIND OF MONSTER IS HE?
THINK, DAMMIT!
CHUNG POONG IS LOSING HIS CONFIDENCE AGAIN.
MAJEH ...?
GET A GRIP ON YOURSELF, CHUNG POONG! THAT THING ISN'T UNBEATABLE...
...UNLESS YOU LET HIM BEAT YOU!

LISTEN...
YOU'RE RIGHT, MAJEH.
WHICH IS STRONGER, CHUNG POONG? YOUR SWORD...OR A LOUSY ROCK?
YOU'RE HOLDING THE MIGHTY JOONG SWORD--SO ACT LIKE IT!
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IF I CAN'T CUT HIM, I CAN CRUSH HIM! EVEN IF I HAVE TO POUND HIM A THOUSAND TIMES!
YES!
THEN COME ON, BOY.

TO BE CONTINUED

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BEEN THERE, DONE THAT.